

Peddlers & Solicitors

Often people come through the community selling goods or services such as magazines, wood, snow removal, etc. Door-to-door sales are not illegal and many of these are legitimate vendors. The Edina Police Department encourages residents to review the following information.

- All peddlers/solicitors must register at the police department. Some need to obtain a permit which must be displayed on an outer garment. Not-for-profit groups need only register and do not require a permit.
- In addition to the above restrictions, ALL peddlers/solicitors:
 - Must conduct business only between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m.
 - May attempt contact only at the main entrance or front door of a residence and may not walk on the side or rear of the residence.
 - Must leave promptly after contact or attempt to make contact.
 - May not commit any act constituting harassment, nuisance, menace, theft or deceit.
- Peddlers and solicitors may be prohibited by placard.
- Any resident who wishes to exclude peddlers or solicitors from their dwelling may place near the usual entrance to the dwelling a printed placard or sign bearing the following notice: "Peddlers and Solicitors Prohibited". The placard shall be at least 3 3/4" long and 3 3/4" wide and the printing shall be no smaller than 48-point type. These placards are available at City Hall and may be purchased for \$3 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- A resident who displays the placard and still has a peddler or solicitor attempt to make contact should call 9-1-1, state the situation, and give a concise description of the peddler, his vehicle and his direction of travel. An officer will be dispatched to talk with the peddler.
- A resident who does not display the placard may call 9-1-1 if he or she notices any suspicious activity with the peddler (such as looking into vehicles or garages, refuses to leave property, etc.) or has reasonable fear or concern for his/her safety.
- For more information contact the Edina Police Department, 952-826-1610, or visit www.CityofEdina.com and go to "City Codes."